

## HIGHLIGHTS IN THE BRILLIANT CAREER OF SATCHELL PAIGE

Leroy "Satchell" Paige, greatest Negro pitcher of all time and today, is the idol of his race in the diamond game, as Joe Louis is to boxing.

paige is a magnet for large crowds everywhere he pitches. In Briggs Stadium Detroit, he has drawn 40,000. In Comisky park Chicago, at the East West game 50,000. Sportsmans park St Louis, 20,000. Shibe Park Philadelphia 25,000. Griffith Stadium Washington, 30,000. Yankee Stadium New York, 25,000.

Satchell is a gangling 35 year old Alabaman, 6 ft. 3 ins in height. and a picture to watch. His speed is like lightning out of the skies. And he can throw a baseball wherever he wants it, having uncanny control. Blessed with a calm temperment, Satchell claims he can stand on one foot for 10 minuets before delivering the ball. He is carefull how he warms up and won't throw a baseball until every muscle is throughly relaxed.

Paige has played against many Major Leaguers, a number of them, including Joe DiMaggio and Dizzy Dean remarking he is the greatest hurler they have ever seen. Although this is his 21st season in the big time, Paige maintains he could win 25 games a year in the white majors. However he is not interested in playing in white organized baseball, as he can make considerably more money staying right whwere he is, and get a big share of the money he draws at the gate, beside a top regular salary.

Satchell has a buggy arm whip, and in addition to his speed, has an underhand curve and change of pace, with which to baffle the hitters. One season he avaraged 11 strikeouts a game, winning 31 contest that summer. He loves to bat, and has a lifetime avarage of 323. When his pitching days are over, he hopes to continue in the game as a first baseman.

Paige has appeared in over 1900 games during his carreer, which included many winter seasons in Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, South America, ai, Central America, Japan, and the coast winter league. In many he appeared in 125 games a year.



When it is considered that the recognized record for games pitched in by one man is 874, held by Denton "Cy" Young, compiled while with The Cleveland Nationals, St. Louis Nationals, Boston Americans, Cleveland Americans, and Boston Nationals, from 1890 to 1911 inclusive, you can see the Satchell Paige has probably established a record that no man will ever be able to equal, and he is not through yet by any means.

Paige has probably pitched more no-hit games, more shut outs, and more victories than any other hurler in history, as against fewer defeats. He has also, without a doubt hung up more strikeouts. Many of these achievements were amde against teams of top nothh white Major Leaguers out on the coast and on barnstorming tours.